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Drummer Seating System

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Enclosed are copies of the following patent reference documents.

Patent No.	Inventor(s)
6,073,999	Crane
6,030,045	Hoshino
5,744,738	Gatzen

Summary of the patent references:

U.S. Patent No. 6,073,999 to crane discloses a drum stand for an African drum, which includes a rigid frame connected to a seat. The frame includes at least two legs and an opening to accept the drum, which rests in the frame and is suspended above the ground.

U.S. Patent No. 6,030,045 to Hoshino discloses a holding structure for the seat of a drum chair, which allows the seat to be rotated and prevents undesired rotation without loosening the seat.

U.S. Patent No. 5,744,738 to Gatzen discloses a rigid frame for musical drums, cymbals, and a seat for the drummer. The seat is adjustable and accommodates the drummer in a recumbent position.

The above-described reference is submitted herewith along with form PTO-1449 for the convenience of the Examiner.

Consideration of the foregoing and the making of the references formally of record in the instant application is respectfully requested.

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